

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please amend the paragraph commencing on page 13, line 26, as follows:

(4) Third Preferred Embodiment of ~~Logical~~ Logical Simulation Method

Please amend the paragraph commencing on page 19, line 21, as follows:

While the logical simulation methods in the above described five embodiments have been described as the operations of the logical simulation system shown in FIG. 1, the series of procedures described in these embodiments are ~~never procedures capable of being executed only~~ not executed only for a dedicated purpose machine. The logical simulation methods may be stored in a recorded medium, such as a floppy disk or a CD-ROM, in the form of a program which is to be executed by a general purpose computer and may be read by the computer to be executed. Thus, a logical simulation method according to the present invention can be realized by using an external server or a stand-alone general purpose computer. The recorded medium should not be limited to a portable recorded medium, such as a magnetic disk or an optical disk, and may be a fixed type recorded medium, such as a hard disk drive or a memory. A program including the above described series of procedures in the logical simulation method may be distributed via a communication line (including a radio communication), such as Internet. Moreover, the program including the above described series of procedures in the logical simulation method may be enciphered, modulated or compressed to be distributed via a wire or radio line, such as Internet, or to be stored in a recorded medium to be distributed.